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ELECTROSTATIC BREAKDOWN PREVENTION
APPARATUS FOR ELECTRONIC APPARATUS

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Sir:

In compliance with Rules 1.97 and 1.98, and in fulfillment of the duty of disclosure under Rule 1.56, the accompanying documents, copies of which are attached to this statement, are made of record on the enclosed sheet.

A concise explanation of the relevance of these items is that these references were cited by the Japanese Patent Office in the corresponding Japanese Application Serial No. 2000-128883, filed April 28, 2000. A copy of the Japanese Official Action in which they were cited is attached hereto, with what is believed to be the pertinent portion enclosed in a wavy line. An English translation of the enclosed portion is also attached hereto.

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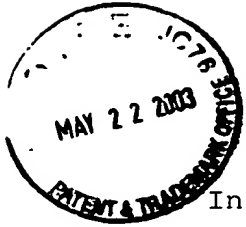
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Sir:

Applicants hereby request consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement filed under even date herewith.

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